



- **REX** Bus Route
- Approximate Location of Limited Service Stop
- T** Major Transfer Point

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www.CommuterConnections.org

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Richmond Highway Express

Limited-stop
 Bus Service
 in the
 Richmond Highway
 Corridor



Fairfax County has teamed up with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, the City of Alexandria, the Commonwealth of Virginia and the Federal Government to operate limited-stop express bus service along the Richmond Highway corridor. A multi-year project launched September 26th, the **Richmond Highway Express**, nicknamed **"REX,"** shortens the time it takes to travel from Fort Belvoir to the Huntington Metrorail Station and to the King Street Metrorail Station by stopping at a limited number of bus stops, by taking advantage of bus priority traffic signals, and by using low-floor buses and SmartCard fare technology for quicker boarding.

The new express service features many of the components of "bus rapid transit," or BRT, which typically operates in dedicated bus lanes. While **REX** bus service operates in regular traffic along Richmond Highway, it features special technology enabling REX buses to sustain green traffic lights in order to move more quickly up and down the Route 1 corridor.

BUS STOPS

In addition to the bus priority traffic signal technology, **REX** stops only at 19 specifically designated bus stops along Richmond Highway, instead of the 40-plus bus stops which previously were served by FAIRFAX CONNECTOR and Metrobus 9A service. By skipping stops, this express service saves time for passengers who are traveling between Fort Belvoir on the southern end and the Huntington Metrorail Station or King Street Metrorail Station



on the northern end. The **REX** bus stops implemented in September include:

- King Street Metro (Alexandria)
- Dulaney Street/PTO (Alexandria)
- Eisenhower Avenue (Alexandria)
- Kings Highway
- Beacon Center
- Lockheed Boulevard
- Arlington Drive
- Belford Drive South
- Ladson Lane
- South County Center
- Frye Road
- Lukens Lane
- Sacramento Drive/Cooper Road
- Old Mill Road/Mt. Vernon Memorial Highway
- Dewitt Hospital (Fort Belvoir)
- Langfitt Loop (Fort Belvoir)
- 16th Street & Belvoir Road (Fort Belvoir)
- Jackson Loop (North) & Gunston Road (Fort Belvoir)

REX serves three stops in Alexandria and four stops on Fort Belvoir. Metrobus 9A no longer operates south of the Huntington Metro station, but now operates from the Huntington Metro station north to the Pentagon. Other bus stops along Richmond Highway are served by new FAIRFAX CONNECTOR routes. As part of the South County Bus Plan, many FAIRFAX CONNECTOR routes have been re-designed to operate longer hours, make more frequent trips, and provide better

connections to other areas. **REX** passengers may transfer at any Richmond Highway stop to FAIRFAX

CONNECTOR routes, and may transfer at Huntington and King Street Metro stations to rail service as well as other local bus service such as Alexandria's DASH.

FARES

The fare to ride **REX** is \$1.00, the same as FAIRFAX CONNECTOR bus service on Richmond Highway. Passengers may pay with cash, Metrobus passes or tokens, or the SmarTrip electronic funds-transfer card.

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| CASH FARE | \$1.00 |
| w/rail-to-bus transfer | \$0.35 |
| Senior/Disabled cash fare | \$0.50 |
| w/rail-to-bus transfer | FREE |

The SmarTrip card is available for sale at the Springfield Mall Connector Store, on-line at www.MetroOpensDoors.com, at the Pentagon Transit Center Sales Office, at the Franconia-Springfield, Huntington, Van Dorn Street, and other Metro Stations which offer parking, and at other Metro sales outlets. For more information about the SmarTrip card, call Metro at 202-637-7000 or visit www.MetroOpensDoors.com.



SCHEDULE

REX buses operate every 15 minutes in both directions on Richmond Highway during weekday rush hours, every 30 minutes during non-rush hours and on Saturday, and every 60 minutes on Sunday. Service runs from 5:30 AM through 10:00 PM Monday through Saturday, and 5:30 AM to 9:30 PM on Sunday. The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) operates **REX** bus service.



REX has a unique look – purple-blue buses with a golden yellow logo featuring the image of a running lion. The lion's lineage goes back to the three lions

emblazoned on the Fairfax County seal, originally the family crest of Lord Fairfax. Bus stop signs use the same color scheme, and stand out among the other bus stops along Route 1. Ultimately, bus stops will provide amenities such as covered shelters with seating, lighting, information panels, bike racks, and trash receptacles.

FUTURE PLANS

As the multi-year project progresses, passengers have a lot to look forward to, thanks to the efforts of Fairfax County, WMATA, VDOT, VDRPT, NVTC, the Federal Government, and the City of Alexandria:

- Design & construction of pedestrian and passenger improvements such as sidewalks & trails, crosswalks, median refuges, bus pads, greater access for the disabled, pedestrian signals, lighting and more
- Advanced technology initiatives such as automatic vehicle location (AVL) and real-time bus tracking
- Locating & building transit centers, some with commuter parking

*Give **REX** a ride!*